

Date: July 23, 2020

To: Responsible and Trustee Agencies, Interested Parties and Organizations

Subject: Notice of Intent to Adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Patterson High School Upgrades Project

The Patterson High School District intends to adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines.

Project Title: **Patterson High School Upgrades Project**

Lead Agency: Patterson School District
510 Keystone Blvd
Patterson, CA 95363

Project Location: The proposed Upgrades Project is located in the interior of the existing Patterson High School campus at 200 N 7th Street, Stanislaus County, California. The Project Area consists of approximately 3 acres and is located in the center and western portions of an approximately 36-acre parcel designated by Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): 131-024-001. The sites of the proposed gymnasium and two-story classroom are located between N 9th Street and N 7th Street and currently and historically have been utilized as a high school campus. The site of the proposed theatre is located between Ward Avenue and N 9th Street and currently and historically has been used as crop land/vacant land.

Project Description: The proposed project includes the new construction of improvements at Patterson High School in Patterson, California. These improvements include the construction of a two-story building for classrooms, a theatre and a gymnasium as part of a school upgrades project.

Environmental Review Process: The Patterson School District has prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) on the proposed project in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act. The IS/MND describes the proposed Patterson High School Upgrades Project and provides an assessment of the project's potential impacts on the environment. The IS/MND concludes that any potentially significant impacts that may result from the proposed project can be avoided, eliminated, or reduced to a level that is less than significant by the adoption and implementation of specified mitigation measures.

Public Review Period: The IS/MND is being circulated for public review and comment for a period of 30 days starting August 5, 2020. Written comments should be submitted and received at the following address no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 3, 2020:

Phillip Alfano, Superintendent
Patterson Unified School District
510 Keystone Blvd
Patterson, CA 95363

A copy of the draft IS/MND may be reviewed at the following locations:

- Stanislaus County Library - Patterson Branch Library
46 N Salado
Patterson, CA 95363
- Patterson Unified School District Website: <http://www.patterson.k12.ca.us>